

**OSCC DECISION No. 6/02
TO THE TREATY ON OPEN SKIES**

Procedures for allocation of Observation Flight Reference Numbers

The Open Skies Consultative Commission, in accordance with Appendix 1 to Annex B, Paragraph 1, of the Treaty on Open Skies, has decided as follows:

SECTION I. PROVISIONS

1. The allocation of Open Skies Observation Flight Reference Numbers is contained in the attached Annex, and shall be used with Formats 12, 14 and 17.
2. The Observation Flight Reference Numbers allocated to each State Party or Group of States Parties shall be as follows:
 - A) Each State Party or Group of States Parties shall be allocated at least 4 numbers; and
 - B) The numbers allocated shall be no less than 25 per cent greater than the full passive quota of each State Party or Group of States Parties, rounded up to the nearest whole number, but no less than the full Passive Quotas plus 2.
3. The Observation Flight Reference Numbers for Training Flights allocated to each State Party shall be equal to the number of Observation Flight Reference Numbers allocated to that State Party, and shall be the numbers of the block of Observation Flight Reference Numbers allocated plus 500.
4. All States Parties shall use the next available number in the allocated sequence for each Observation Flight or Training Flight, beginning with the first allocated number for each calendar year.
5. Additional States Parties or Groups of States Parties acceding to the Treaty shall adopt the next available sequence of numbers at the end of the appropriate current list in the Annex, in accordance with OSCC agreement on the passive quota for such States Parties or Group of States Parties. The Open Skies Observation Flight Reference Numbers shall be effective 60 days after the deposit of the Acceding State's Instrument of Ratification or Accession, as per Article XVII, paragraph 6 of the Treaty on Open Skies.
6. The Annex to this Decision will be updated in accordance with each accession per paragraph 5 above, and will be re-issued to all States Parties.

SECTION II. REVIEW CLAUSE

The provisions of this Decision shall be re-examined on the basis of practical experience if so requested by a State Party after 31 December 2003.

This decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption and shall have the same duration as the Treaty.

Decided in Vienna, in the Open Skies Consultative Commission, on 18 February 2002, in each of the six languages specified in Article XIX of the Treaty on Open Skies, all texts being equally authentic.